

2025/26

INDIANA ULTIMATE

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WELCOME TO INDIANA ULTIMATE!
WE ARE EXCITED AS 2025-26 IS OUR 20TH
SEASON. AT INDIANA ULTIMATE, IT'S ABOUT
MORE THAN JUST COMPETITIVE CHEER.
OUR GOAL IS TO NOT ONLY HELP
ATHLETES BECOME THE BEST CHEERLEADERS
THEY CAN BE, BUT TO INSTILL VALUABLE LIFE
SKILLS THEY CAN CARRY ON INTO THEIR
ADULTHOOD. THE DESIRE EACH DAY IS TO
TEACH OUR ATHLETES THE MEANING OF HARD
WORK, COMMITMENT, INTEGRITY, LEADERSHIP,
SELF-CONFIDENCE, POSITIVE ATTITUDES, ALL
WHILE FALLING IN LOVE WITH THE SPORT OF
CHEERLEADING.



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Indiana Ultimate All-Star Team Packet 2025-2026

!!Please take the time to read the following information carefully. Indiana Ultimate reserves the right to make changes at ANY time. We will notify members via email or SportsYou if any changes are made!!

**** ALL GYM FEES FOR THE PRIOR SEASON MUST BE PAID IN FULL BEFORE YOUR CHILD WILL BE ALLOWED TO TRYOUT FOR THE 2025-26 SEASON ****

Novice Athletes:

11 Monthly installment payments of: \$240
+ additional fees (see schedule)

Prep Tiny-Junior Athletes:

(Full season but only ever competes 1 day)
11 Monthly installment payments of: \$340
+ additional fees (see schedule)

Elite Tiny-Junior Athletes:

(Practice 2x/week)
11 Monthly installment payments of: \$370
+ any additional fees (see schedule)

Elite Senior Athletes:

(Practice 3x/week)
11 Monthly installment payments of: \$400
+ additional fees (see schedule)

Open Age Athletes (High School Graduate):

For financial commitments & practice schedules, please email:
indianaultimatestrong@gmail.com

If your child is on more than one team:

Crossovers will pay the higher monthly installment and an additional \$75/monthly installment for their second team.

Crossover competition & coaches fees (not including end-of-season events) can be paid in two separate installments.

***Prep \$500 *Elite \$610**

If your child is an alternate on their 2nd team:

Alternates will meet with the All-Star Director to discuss expectations, which include attending all practices/competitions scheduled and the purchasing of uniforms/required apparel. Competition fees will only be charged when an alternate is competing.

11 Monthly installment payments include: 2 or 3 team practices/week, choreography, music, competition registration and coaches' fees*.

(*Does NOT include competition registration or coaches' fees for post-season competitions: US Finals, The One, Regional Summit, Worlds & Summit*)

Additional Fees Schedule

Due Date	Novice & Prep Teams	Elite & Worlds Teams
June 1 st	\$50 Membership Fee	\$50 Membership Fee
June 15 th	\$TBD Super Camp *billing date may change	\$375 Super Camp
July 1 st	\$100 +tax Program Practice Wear	\$100 +tax Program Practice Wear
August 1 st	50% of Uniform +tax (if applicable)	50% of Uniform +tax (if applicable)
September 1 st	50% Crossover Comp Fee (if applicable)	50% Crossover Comp Fee (if applicable)
October 1 st	50% of Uniform +tax (if applicable)	50% of Uniform +tax (if applicable)
November 1 st	50% Crossover Comp Fee (if applicable)	50% Crossover Comp Fee (if applicable)
December 1 st		
January 1 st		
February 1 st		
March 1 st		Worlds / Summit Practice Wear
April 1 st	End of Season Event Competition and Coaches Fees	End of Season Event Competition and/or Coaches Fees

*BILLING

1. All Indiana Ultimate members must have a credit card on file. All members will be automatically signed up for autopay via iClassPro to avoid unnecessary fees and penalties.
2. Team statements are emailed on the 25th of the month prior regardless of attendance. Cards will be processed at 12pm on the 1st of the month. Payments can be made via iClassPro on or before the 1st of the month. Payments can also be made in the office if necessary.
3. If your account has credit, it will be utilized for charges on your account prior to the processing of your card on file.
4. If your payment is not in by midnight on the 1st of each month, a \$25 late fee will be assessed. When your card is processed at 12pm on the 1st, if the card is declined, a \$35 credit card decline fee will be assessed. Returned checks will result in a \$35.00 fee and loss of check writing privileges for the season. If the account remains delinquent, your athlete will be set out for practice until the balance is paid.
5. Tumbling coaches are available for classes and/or private lessons. Class prices are \$71 per month. We provide a discounted rate for All-Star athletes of \$55 per month. We allow one make-up class per month of tumbling classes. Privates are \$40/30min, \$55/45min and \$70/60min. Private lessons may be split with one person. **If you are on an All-Star team and your account has a balance due, even if you have a payment arrangement, you will not be allowed to take classes or private lessons until your bill is current.**
6. A penalty of \$500 (per team) will be added to the individual athlete's account, if the athlete quits **after the start of their 1st scheduled choreography date.** If an athlete chooses to leave the program it MUST be submitted via email prior to the deadline @ indianultimatebilling@gmail.com. Every athlete is an asset to the program. Losing an athlete for whatever reason results in a routine change, which leads to extra practices to change choreography and creates more expense for IU. This fee is waived if a child is leaving due to an injury. A physician's note stating that the athlete can no longer participate is required.

NOTE:

There will be NO refunds (monthly installment fees, competition fees, clothing costs, gym membership fees, etc.) to anyone who quits or is asked to leave the program. Anyone who leaves or is dismissed is responsible for all debts and legal fees.

***BASE COST & PAY IN FULL OPTION**

- Our base cost is the total of all 11 installment payments for one team. Regardless of when an athlete joins our program during the 2025/26 season, the base cost must be covered.
- Your base cost may be paid in full if you desire. If you choose to do so, you will receive a 5% discount off the base cost of your season (this cannot be combined with any other discounts). If you are interested in taking advantage of this discount you must email Jessica Charles at: indianaultimatebilling@gmail.com PRIOR to 11:59pm on May 30th, 2025. *We do not offer Pay in Full for an athletes' crossover team*

***SIBLINGS DISCOUNT**

- Siblings will receive a 10% discount off their main team's monthly installment of All-Star.
- You will be charged for your higher priced team first and then you will receive your 10% discount on the second child's team.

***REFERRAL BONUS!**

How does a \$250 account credit sound? This year we are bringing back our referral program! It's easy! All you must do is refer to a friend or family member (siblings not eligible) Indiana Ultimate and have them join an All-Star team for the 2025/26 season. Once all the requirements below are met you will receive your account credit on our next payout date that may be used towards any charges on your Indiana Ultimate account.

- The referral has emailed Jessica Charles and stated that they were referred to by you.
- Referral is new to our All-Star cheer program.
- Referral must stay enrolled in All-Star for 90 days.
- Referral must be financially current for 90 days.
- Referral must still be active at the time of account credit payout.

*Account Credit payout dates will be Oct 5th, Dec 5th and March 5th. *No cash value

***UNIFORMS and required apparel**

- Uniform w/hair piece (billed separately) – Approximately \$500.00-\$850.00 + tax (generally used for 2 seasons)
- Rebel practice set – Sports bra, spandex (tank top/shorts for males) – \$100 +tax.

***SUPER CAMP (Required for ELITE & WORLDS TEAMS athletes)**

- Super Camps in previous years have been a VITAL part of our program's overall success. It is what led us to another history-making season in which EVERY eligible team earned a bid to Summit and Worlds.
- Dates: June 27th-29th, 2025
 1. Times: TBD
 2. There will be a lunch break each day.
 3. Cost: \$375 to be processed on June 15th, 2025
 4. **Novice & Prep athletes:** All information is TBD.

***ADDITIONAL CAMPS/CLINICS/CLASSES**

- All-Star camps and clinics will be scheduled as needed throughout the season. These will be mandatory.
- Additional costs may arise.
- All choreographed flyers will be required to attend a team specific stretch class once a week. The cost will be \$25 monthly, and classes will start when we return from Fall Break.

***CHOREOGRAPHY**

- Choreography is scheduled for July 20th – July 31st. **Attendance is REQUIRED!**

Code of Conduct & Program Rules

- If you have any questions or concerns that need immediate attention, please use the following chain of command:
1st Coach 2nd All-star Director 3rd Owner
- Personal items such as cell phones, school bags, or gym bags must be taken into the gym and stored in the cubbies off the practice floor area. NO items are to be left in the athlete staging area or cubbies. Cell phones will be collected and placed in a basket at the beginning of practice. Indiana Ultimate is NOT responsible for lost or stolen items brought into the gym.
- You are NEVER allowed to use the Indiana Ultimate name or logo for any personal or commercial use. You may reach out to the owner for permission with team gifts.
- You must arrive at all practices, competitions, or any scheduled events on time. Punctuality is a MUST.
- All team routine decisions are left to the discretion of the coach.
- Athletes need to be able to perform ALL aspects of competitive cheerleading physically and mentally.
- Please keep in mind the gym is not a babysitting service. Dropping your kids off unsupervised is not allowed. Athletes may not arrive more than 15 minutes prior to the start of their scheduled practice.
- Good sportsmanship and polite manners are mandatory at all practices and competitions from athletes AND parents. NO GOSSIP about any other teams, a child on any team or coaches/staff will be tolerated. It is necessary to address a problem through the chain of command listed above.
- Practices may be changed, added, or cancelled at any time during the season.
- Competitions may be changed, added, or cancelled at any time during the season.
- The coaches reserve the right to close practices at ANY time for ANY reason.
- It is the parents' responsibility to know what is going on with your team. Check your emails, SportsYou pages and website regularly.
- Withholding a child from practice or competition is not an acceptable form of punishment and may result in dismissal.
- Athletes should be able to handle schoolwork and all-star practices. Learning time management is a vital life skill and something that we try to instill in our athletes. Homework is NOT an acceptable excuse for missing practice.
- Parents, relatives, friends, and cheerleaders are never allowed to speak with competition officials for any reason. EVER!
- Parents and athletes are required to ALWAYS represent Indiana Ultimate, Inc in a positive manner. This is especially so at practices and competitions.
- Parents are never allowed to represent Indiana Ultimate under any circumstances concerning accommodations, competitions, or any other situations. PERIOD!
- Parents and athletes posting negative comments on social media or posting inappropriate videos with reference to Indiana Ultimate Inc will not be tolerated and may result in dismissals from the team or program.
- Placing athletes on team(s) is solely at the discretion of the coaches.
- Indiana Ultimate Inc. may move, replace, add, suspend, or even dismiss an athlete for a period of time or indefinitely from a team or the entire program based on the criteria, including but not limited to: Attendance, Ability to Pay, Skills, Parent Conflict and/or Attitude/Conduct.
- Coaches will determine the roles and/or positions an athlete will have on their team(s).
- There will be no arguing or questioning of the coaching staff's decisions at practices or competitions. EVER!
- If you threaten to leave Indiana Ultimate or issue ultimatums, you will be dismissed immediately and charged accordingly.
- Indiana Ultimate maintains the right to refuse or stop services at any time.

***ATTENDANCE**

1. For your child to enjoy success at Indiana Ultimate, it is critical to make attendance a priority.
2. **Arrive to practice no more than 15min early** to be READY to take the floor when practice starts, shoes on and taping done!!!
3. Notify your coach **IMMEDIATELY** of all expected tardiness or absences.
4. An Absence form MUST be completed AS SOON AS YOU ARE AWARE OF THE ABSENCE! ***Please see absence form dates under "Vacations / Planned Absence."**
 - a. **Forms can be found on our website, team pages and at your local IU front desk.**
5. Emergency Situations (24 hours or less notice) do not require an absence form, but the coaching staff must be notified ASAP.
6. If an athlete is ill, they are still expected to be at practice sitting and watching unless they are actively vomiting or have a fever of 100.5 or above. (Be sure to follow protocol during finable zones.) ***Watching practice enables the athlete to be aware of choreography changes, and support their teammates despite not being able to practice themselves***
7. During the competition season (before a competition), we may schedule extra practices. Poor attendance at regular practice is the #1 reason extra practice is needed.
8. ATTENDANCE IS CRITICAL at ALL practices. **Starting September 1, 2025, through the end of the season only 6 absences (per team) will be allowed for full season teams. An absence is an absence; it does not matter the reason for missing.** Extended illnesses or injuries with an MD note will count as 1 absence. If you have an MD note to keep you out of practice, you MUST have a note from the same MD to return to practice.

***VACATIONS / PLANNED ABSENCE**

Vacations / planned absences are not permitted throughout the season unless the gym is closed, and the athlete has already cleared it with their coach. We understand the cheer season is long, and we understand family time is important, however our gym culture is rooted in the importance of athlete dedication. All planned absences must be submitted by the following dates in their respective portion of the season. Deadlines are as follows:

Summer Season (June 1st, 2025 – August 9th, 2025)

*Forms Due by June 14th, 2025

Fall Season (August 10th, 2025 – October 31st, 2025)

*Forms Due by August 1st, 2025

Competition Season (November 1st, 2025 – February 28th, 2026)

*Forms Due by October 1st, 2025

Champion Season (March 1st, 2026 – End of Season)

*Forms Due by January 1st, 2026

***EXTRACURRICLLAR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

Involvement in Fall sports does not create a big conflict with All-Star Cheer, but Winter & Spring sports directly conflict with our gym culture of having an ALL-IN mindset. If you choose to participate in a Winter/Spring sport, your position and/or placement could be affected.

***WORLD'S ELIGIBLE TEAMS**

PLACEMENT ON A WORLD'S TEAM REQUIRES A MARKEDLY HIGHER LEVEL OF COMMITMENT.

Athletes & Parents: Mandatory meeting at the start of the first practice. The athlete and at least one parent/guardian must attend.

Finable Absence Zones

If your athlete misses practice during the Yellow, Red or "All-In" April Zones:

1. You MUST email our Account Specialist (indianaultimatebilling@gmail.com) AND your coach to inform them the reason for the missed practice.
 - a. If your athlete is missing due to illness, email must include a doctor's note stating the athlete was seen in office or fines may still be charged.
2. Violation Fines will be added and processed to the card on file within 24-48hrs of the absence.
3. If your athlete continues to miss practices during any of the finable zones, the following is at the coach's discretion:
 - a. Your athlete's position in routine is altered.
 - b. Your athlete is pulled from a competition.
 - c. Your athlete is pulled from Indiana Ultimate.
 - d. No changes to your athlete's position.
4. All changes by the coach will be strictly based on what is best for the team.

Yellow Zone

June 1st, 2025, through August 31st, 2025, is referred to as the **YELLOW ZONE**. Athletes will be allowed to miss a total of 3 practices per team during the Yellow Zone prior to any fines being enforced. If an athlete misses more than the allowed practices during the Yellow Zone, they will be subject to the fines below.

****YELLOW ZONE FINES****

All Violations: \$20 each

Red Zone

No practices may be missed two weeks prior to any competition. This time is referred to as the **RED ZONE**. If an athlete misses practice during the Red Zone, they will be subject to the fines below.

****RED ZONE FINES****

1st Violation: \$50

2nd Violation: \$60

3rd Violation & Up: \$75 each

**** January 4th, 2026, absences will be \$100 ****

"All-In" April

End-of-season competitions are a way to celebrate and show off the hard work put in by our teams all season. With end of season competitions happening in April we are referring to this month as **"ALL-IN" APRIL**. If an athlete misses practice during "All-In" April, they will be subject to the fines below.

****"ALL-IN" APRIL FINES****

All Violations: \$75 each

**** April 12th, 2026, absences will be \$100 ****

*ATTENDANCE & CODE OF CONDUCT DISCIPLINE (Athlete)

IF any of the above rules are compromised, the following actions will occur:

1st Violation: Coach will meet with athlete to discuss behavior.

2nd Violation: A meeting with the athlete and parent(s).

3rd Violation: The athlete, parent and All-Star Director will meet to determine the athlete's continued involvement with Indiana Ultimate.

*TRAVEL INFORMATION

1. Each athlete is responsible for his/her own way to and from each All-Star event.
2. The price of admission, travel, gas, hotels, and other expenses are the responsibility of the individual.
3. Many event companies are using "StaySmart" hotel arrangements. They will provide a list of hotels that are offering discounted rates for athletes/families attending a competition in their city. If we are NOT compliant, we will NOT be able to attend that competition.
4. Indiana Ultimate is not responsible for any accidents while traveling to and from events.
5. Members are required to attend all competitions and performances.
******If missing a competition is absolutely unavoidable, coaches must be informed a minimum of 1 month prior to the competition to be missed. The athletes' competition fee will cover the cost of substitute. No refunds will be issued for not attending.**

*PRACTICE DRESS CODE

- Athletes MUST:
 1. Keep hair out of their face (males included)
 2. Remove all jewelry.
 3. Wear cheer shoes.
 4. Follow team practice attire schedule as posted per coach each month.

*PRACTICE PROTOCOL

1. Phones turned into coach's basket.
2. All drinks must be in a closed leakproof cup.
 - a. We recommend WATER.
3. No Food!
4. NO GUM!!!
5. Absolutely no negativity!!!

COMPETITION DRESS CODE

1. Athletes wearing a crop top uniform are required to be wearing an IU warmup jacket or anything IU unless heading to/from warm-ups, performances, or awards.
2. No boots with skirts or pajama pants allowed at any time.
3. Uniform is to be worn properly.
4. Remove all jewelry.
5. Hair must be a naturally occurring color for all competitions.
6. Nails are NOT to be a bright color or an excessive length.
7. Remove and put away all non-uniform items such as sunglasses, cell phones, headphones, and iPads during warm-ups and award ceremonies.
8. Be in full competition uniform (no backpacks, phones, or warm-ups) during any award ceremony.
9. Hair and makeup done.
 - a. Specific competition hair & makeup will be determined by coaches and announced via the Team Facebook pages closer to competition season.
- 10. ARRIVE in full uniform or their IU warmup jacket/anything IU with their skirt and/or any black bottoms.**

SCHEDULED CLOSINGS

Pre-Season Reboot 2025:	May 7 – 11, 2025
Memorial Day:	May 23 - 26, 2025
Super Camp:	June 27 – 29, 2025
Independence Day:	July 4 – 6, 2025
Fall Break:	August 1 – 9, 2025
Labor Day:	August 29 – September 1, 2025
Thanksgiving:	November 26 - 29, 2025
Christmas/New Years:	December 21, 2025 – January 3, 2026
Spring Break:	April 3 – 11, 2026
Summit/Worlds:	TBD
Pre-Season Reboot 2026	TBD

Important Contact Information

Billing/Account questions:

Jessica Charles: indianultimatebilling@gmail.com

Competition-related questions:

Pam Slagle: indianultimatestrong@gmail.com

Booster Club Question:

Booster Board Members: iupbc2022@gmail.com

Tumbling Class scheduling and/or questions:

Jessica Charles: indianultimatebilling@gmail.com

All-Star team questions: Please contact us during business hours, and only on weekends if an emergency.

- 1) Please contact your child(s) coach first. They will let you know at the beginning of the season the best way to contact them.
- 2) If you feel you need to discuss a problem further after talking with the coach, please contact the All-Star Director.
 - indianultimatestrong@gmail.com

TRYOUT INFORMATION

Age Divisions

The United States All-Star Federation (USASF) is the governing body of All-Star cheer. Teams are broken down by age, level, and size. An athlete's BIRTH YEAR determines their age eligibility for the 2025-26 season.

What to Wear:

(It is not necessary to purchase anything new to tryout)

- Shorts/spandex (no basketball shorts)
- T-shirt/tank/sports bra
- Tennis/Cheer shoes
- Hair pulled back out of your face (males included)
- No jewelry

*THE TOTAL COST OF TEAM TRYOUTS IS \$65

- New Early Registration Discount!
- Register by April 18th to save \$10!
- After that date, pay \$55 when completing the online registration process with the remaining balance of \$10 due at the time of the in-person tryout.
- Private Tryouts cost \$100. Pay \$55 when completing the online registration process with the remaining balance of \$35 or \$45 due at the time of the in-person tryout.

Block Practices

Last season proved that block practices are beneficial in helping all athletes place properly. Block practices allow our coaching staff to see athletes work in stunt groups and as a team to build the best teams possible. You will receive your athletes block practice schedule(s) no later than Noon on May 19th, 2025 (the first day of block practices). As our coaches work with the group blocks, they may ask your child to attend a different block.

***Block practices will take place on May 19th – May 22nd.**

Team Placements

- Parents and athletes will be invited to attend the "Ultimate Reveal" which we call our "Show & Go" event. **The date for the Show & Go is May 24th, 2025, 9:30am-12pm.** More details will be announced closer to the date.
- You must wait a **minimum of 24 hours** to contact any staff member with questions regarding your team placement! We are always happy to address any questions or concerns you may have after the first 24hours have passed.

PARENT MEETINGS

Our main communication tool for parents is our team SportsYou groups. Date/Times of parent meetings will be announced with team placements. **In person attendance is REQUIRED. We will be taking attendance.**